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Dear Ms. Phillips:

This letter is in response to your letter to Thomas C. Roberts, Treasurer, Van Ness Feldman, P.C. Political Action Committee ("VNF PAC"), dated February 20, 2003. This letter was prompted by the Federal Election Commission's ("FEC") preliminary review of VNF PAC's 2002 30 day post-general report. The letter raised questions concerning certain information included in that report.

1. According to your letter and attachments thereto, the Commission's preliminary review of VNF PAC's amended 2002 post-general report raised questions regarding certain contributions disclosed in that report that appear to reflect payments to VNF PAC's connected organization, Van Ness Feldman, P.C. Due to a clerical error, these contributions were incorrectly disclosed. None of the itemized disbursements disclosed in Schedule B to VNF PAC's amended 2002 post-general report were made to the connected organization. Rather, in each case, the contribution was made to the respective candidate committee of the candidate indicated under "Candidate Name." VNF PAC is filing an amendment to its amended 2002 post-general report to make the appropriate corrections.

2. Your letter and attachments thereto also raise questions regarding several reported contributions from VNF PAC to Friends of Max Baucus, including one reported contribution dated October 16, 2002. Your letter suggests that this contribution appears to have exceeded the FEC's contribution limits with regard to the 2002 general election. Due to a clerical error, this contribution was incorrectly disclosed. A contribution made by VNF PAC to Friends of Max Cleland for the U.S. Senate Inc., dated October 16, 2002, was inadvertently and incorrectly disclosed in VNF PAC's 2002 amended post-general report as a contribution to Friends of Max Baucus. No contribution was actually made on that date, however, to Friends of Max Baucus. Therefore, VNF PAC's contributions to Friends of Max Baucus are properly within the FEC's contribution limits. VNF PAC is

filing an amendment to its amended 2002 post-genital report to make the appropriate corrections.

Thank you for bringing these matters to our attention. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


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Thomas C. Roberts
Treasurer

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